



THE NAVIGATOR'S LOG

Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly, #1894
August 2017

Faithful Navigator's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

This fraternal year has started off with a number of opportunities for us, as Sir Knights, to show our patriotic support for our church and country. We participated in the Fairfax Independence Day Parade, served as Color Guard for the State Organizational Meeting, and provided liturgical Honor Guard for the parishes we support. I am proud that our Assembly has started strong in demonstrating the virtue of patriotism that is central to the 4th Degree. But, as we serve our mission in the 4th Degree, we should be mindful of the other virtues that make us Knights of Columbus.

This month, I would like to consider how the virtue of fraternity should play a role in what we do as Sir Knights. First, we must embrace fraternity within the Assembly itself. A simple way to do this is to attend the Assembly meetings and other functions. These events offer each of us an opportunity to share our experiences, socialize, pray, and feast with our fellow Sir Knights. The Faithful Captain has quite a series of dinners planned for our meetings this year (some even tied to feast days in the church). You won't want to miss these! If you haven't been to a meeting in a while, consider joining us. If you regularly attend, but know of a fellow Sir Knight who hasn't been around much, encourage them to come.

Further, Fraternity should be extend beyond the walls of our Assembly out to other Assemblies in our area. Already this year we have had our joint Installation of Officers with Marian, Msgr. Bradican, and Fr. Casey Assemblies. Coming up on August 13, we will be participating with Acts of Apostles Assembly in a memorial Mass for Fr. Nudd and wreath laying at the graves of Fr. Nudd and Fr. Malloy. The memorial Mass for Fr. Nudd will be at 12:30 PM at St. Timothy's (muster at Noon). The wreath laying will be at 2 PM at Fairfax Memorial Park. If you think of other opportunities to participate in events with other Assemblies, please let me know.

Fraternity should also be a virtue that we celebrate with other Knights of Columbus who are not yet 4th Degree members. Showing our brother Knights the importance of what we do in the 4th Degree and making them feel welcome and needed in our ranks is imperative if we are to grow the Assembly. As an example of extending fraternity to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degree Knights, our September meeting will be an open meeting where non-Fourth Degree Knights can join us to learn more about what we offer in the 4th Degree and how they can get involved (including joining us for the November 11th Degree Exemplification).

Fraternity is a virtue that we must individually embrace but practice with each other. I look forward to working with each of you to help

our Assembly demonstrate the virtue of fraternity amongst the members of the Assembly, across other Assemblies, and to our brother Knights throughout the Order.

VIVAT JESUS!!!

Fraternally,
SK Matthew T. West
Faithful Navigator

Faithful Friar's Report



My Brother Sir Knights,

The Church proposes two devotions for August: the Blessed Sacrament and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. One might think that the Church just ran out of ideas for August because April is already dedicated to the Holy Eucharist and May, of course, is dedicated to Our Lady.

But this joint dedication for August is no accident. When we have right devotion to Mary it assures that we have right devotion to Jesus. In other words, everything we believe, honor, and celebrate in Mary has everything to do with Jesus. Mary doesn't make sense alone. We call her Mother of God because Jesus is God incarnate, and Mary gave birth to Jesus. We revere Mary as the Immaculate Conception because God preserved Mary from Original Sin so that He might have a fitting and worthy tabernacle for Jesus in the womb. In August, we recall that Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven because Jesus wanted His mother to share the fullness of Resurrected life where body and soul are united forever.

To paraphrase the words of St. Louis de Montfort, we have access to Jesus through Mary. Mary gave the Eternal Word flesh. We would not have access to the Blessed Sacrament, the true presence of Jesus Christ—Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity—if it were not for Mary.

Let us make it a point as summer winds down to make time for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Even better, let us invite Mary to pray with and for us as we pray her beads in the True Presence of her Divine Son.

In his youth, St. Ignatius of Loyola desired a fight honorably for a noble lady. After his conversion, he recognized that every Catholic man should always uphold the great dignity of Our Lady. We do this because if we get devotion to her right, we stay close to her son.

Fraternally,
SK Rev. David A. Dufresne
Faithful Friar

Faithful Captain's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Our August meeting will take place on August 16, at our usual location, Providence Hall at St. Leo the Great, and at its usual start time, 7:30 PM. We will begin with praying the Rosary, and will then have our Sir Knights' Café, which will be an Immaculate Heart of Mary feast.



This Fraternal Year, we are having a thematic approach with our Sir Knights' Café. It will be a mix of our traditional themes, like last month's BBQ, and Feast month themes, like this month's Immaculate Heart of Mary Feast, which will be a pasta, mozzarella, and tomato salad with rolls and cobbler desert prepared by yours truly. Make sure to contact me and let me know which Sir Knights' Café that you would like to host. I would really appreciate it!

Following the dinner, we will be having our monthly Assembly business meeting. If you have not been able to make a meeting regularly, I hope that you will find a way to join us at the August meeting to share prayer and fellowship with your brother Sir Knights.

I look forward to seeing you all at our meeting on August 16.

Fraternally,
SK Carroll D. Glass
Faithful Captain

Faithful Pilot's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Please pray for the following:

- Repose of the soul of **SK Anthony J. diGregorio**

- Repose of the soul of Brother Gary Ball of Good Samaritan Council.
- Repose of the soul of Brother Louis Hargenrader of EDW Council.
- Repose of the soul of Brother Joseph Baringhaus, brother of **SK Herbert F. Zimmerman**.
- Healing of **PFN Richard P. Owen** from cancer.
- Healing of **SK Brian D. Vaccaro** from lymphoma.
- Healing of Karen Snee, wife of PFN Thomas J. Snee.
- The Assignment for **Rev. SK Ernesto Gonzalez, III**.

If you have any prayer requests, please contact me directly at fbordelon@verizon.net.

Fraternally,
SK F. "Randy" Bordelon
Faithful Pilot

Color Corps Commander's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Where we have been:

- Installation of Pastor at St. Anthony of Padua, July 13: ten Sir Knights, including seven from Fr. Malloy Assembly, participated.

Where we are going:

- Memorial Mass for Fr. Nudd, and Wreath Laying at the Graves of Frs. Malloy & Nudd, Sunday, August 13: 12:30 PM Mass at St. Timothy's (13807 Poplar Tree Rd, Chantilly, 20151), muster in full Service Regalia with sword at Noon; 2 PM Wreath Laying at Fairfax Memorial Park (9900 Braddock Rd, Fairfax, 22032), muster in full Service Regalia with sword at 1:45. Reception to follow at cemetery. Please advise Faithful Navigator **SK Matthew T. West** at askmekofc@yahoo.com if you can participate.
- Mass Honoring Military & 1st Responders, Sunday, September 10: 11 AM Mass at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church (3700 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, 22030), muster in full Service Regalia with sword at 10:30 AM. Reception to follow in Providence Hall. Please advise Faithful Admiral **SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN**, at djtoddjr@gmail.com if you can participate.

Look forward to seeing you there!

Fraternally,
SK Alfonso Munevar
Color Corps Commander

Faithful Admiral's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

As announced at the July meeting, our August meeting will be open to ALL members of the Order, regardless of Degree. This is an opportunity for non-Sir Knights to witness firsthand how we conduct our meetings and learn more about who and what we are as Patriotic Catholics. So invite any brother Knights who you think might be interested in receiving the fullness of Knighthood in our Order. Please note: this meeting is NOT open to any non-members of the Order... all attendees must have taken the Initiation Degree.

The next Exemplification will be held at the Portsmouth Renaissance on Saturday, November 11. It is worthwhile for Candidates, Escorts, and Observers to plan on arriving in Portsmouth on Friday and staying until Sunday. Any Sir Knights interested in attending should advise our Faithful Navigator at askmekofc@yahoo.com and our Faithful Comptroller at wweich@yahoo.com.

Fraternally,
SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN
Faithful Admiral

Faithful Comptroller's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

Per Supreme Records, as of August 1, 2017, Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly membership remains unchanged at 319 Sir Knights. There were no membership changes for our Assembly during July.

We still have approximately 30 members who have not paid their 2017 dues. As a reminder, dues are payable upon receipt of the dues notice. There is a grace period through March 1. Some Brothers are in arrears for multiple years and need to bring their membership accounts current in order to remain in good standing in the 4th Degree. If you are unable to remit payment at this time due to hardship or other circumstances, I need to hear from you ASAP to discuss and/or make other payment arrangements!

If you have any questions about membership, membership cards, or dues, please contact me at wweich@yahoo.com, or at (703) 307-9163.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,
SK William W. Weich, PFN
Faithful Comptroller

Installation of Pastor

On Thursday, July 13, Bishop Michael F. Burbidge installed Fr. Matthew Zuberbueler as the Pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in Falls Church. Seven Sir Knights of Fr. Malloy Assembly, with three from Commodore Barry Assembly, provided an Honor Guard for the Installation Mass. Following the Mass, members of the Honor Guard joined the Bishop and Fr. "Tex" for a picture. Many thanks to: FN Kelly J. Niernberger, FDD, PGK; SK Henry Cao, PGK, PFN; SK Kevin G. Harr, PGK, PFN; **SK David J. Todd, Jr., PGK, PFN;** **SK James E. Connell, DD, PGK;** **SK S. Michael Pollak, PGK;** **SK Eugene J. Bransfield, PGK;** **SK George S. Vogen, PGK;** **SK Keith J. Green;** and **SK Karl R. Leshner**



Wreath Laying at Grave of Fr. Malloy

We will once again participate in the Memorial Mass for Fr. Nudd, and wreath laying at the graves of Fr. Malloy and Fr. Nudd. The Mass will be on Sunday, August 13, at 12:30 PM, at St. Timothy Catholic Church (13807 Poplar Tree Rd, Chantilly, 20151). The Wreath Laying will be conducted at Fairfax Memorial Park (9900 Braddock Rd, Fairfax, 22032), at approximately 2 PM. Fr. Nudd Council provides refreshments afterwards for those who participate, while members reminisce of the lives of Frs. Malloy and Nudd.



Mass Honoring Military and First Responders

On Sunday, September 10, Fr. Malloy Assembly will be hosting a Mass honoring Military and First Responders at 11 AM at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church (3700 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, 22030). While we are inviting all currently active members of the Military and First Responders to attend the Mass in full dress uniforms, we are also looking for as many Sir Knights to participate in an Honor Guard. Any Sir Knight who can participate should muster by 10:30 in the vestibule of the church in full Service Regalia, with sword.



Wreath Laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns

Looking ahead, we will once again participate in a Wreath Laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery on Columbus Day, Monday, October 9 at 4:15 PM. While only four individuals are permitted to enter the plaza, we are looking to line the steps leading to the plaza with as many Sir Knights as possible. More details will be available in the September newsletter.



Next Exemplification

The next 4th Degree Exemplification for the Virginia District will be conducted on Saturday, November 11 (Veterans Day!), at the Renaissance Hotel in Portsmouth. NOW is the time to begin recruiting for this Exemplification.

Please talk to the members of your Council and encourage those who are not 4th Degree to consider this opportunity. Cost is \$70 per Candidate (this covers the cost of their Social Baldric and 4th Degree Lapel, as well as their Banquet ticket). There is an additional cost for tickets to the Ladies Program, as well as for extra Banquet tickets (as needed).



I would encourage the Candidates to consider spending the weekend in Portsmouth at the Renaissance Hotel. There will be several Hospitality Rooms, as well as the annual Memorial Mass before

the Banquet. And we would like our Assembly to have a good showing at the Banquet... especially since the State Deputy is a member of our Assembly! There will be a special room rate for those participating in the Exemplification.

Additionally, we are looking for current 4th Degree members to participate in the Exemplification as Escorts or Observers, as well as some to assist in the Hospitality Room. Please consider attending the Exemplification and Banquet to show support for our Assembly's Candidates and the State Deputy!



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New Uniform for the 4th Degree

On Tuesday, August 1, the Supreme Master and Vice Supreme Masters of the Order debuted the new uniform of the 4th Degree during the Opening Mass at the 135th Supreme Convention in St. Louis, MO. During his address to the delegate later that day, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson stated:

“Throughout the history of the Fourth Degree, its official regalia has changed with the times. In 1940, the white tie, tails, and top hat changed to the tuxedo, chapeau, and cape that we know so well. And in 1981, different colored capes and chapeaux were officially recognized. This fraternal year we make another historic change. The Board of Directors has decided that the time is right for a modernization of the Fourth Degree Uniform. This morning at the opening Mass of our Supreme Convention, our Vice Supreme Masters processed in wearing the new uniform of the Fourth Degree. Beginning today the uniform of the Fourth Degree is a blue blazer with Fourth Degree Emblem, dark-gray slacks, a blue Fourth Degree tie, white shirt, and a black beret with the Fourth Degree Emblem. On a limited basis, Assemblies may choose to continue using the traditional cape and chapeau for Color Corps at public events and Honor Guards in Liturgical Processions. However, the preferred dress for the Fourth Degree, including Color Corps and Honor Guards, is the new uniform of the jacket and beret.”



Three days later, Supreme Knight Anderson sent out a letter via email to all members of the Order with the following information:

“In light of this significant change, I thought it would be helpful to address some of the questions that have been asked about the new uniform.

1. *The cape and chapeau, while popular among some Fourth Degree members, have become dated and are increasingly cited as a reason that eligible Catholic men, especially young men, do not join the Knights of Columbus.*
2. *Today there are nearly 2 million members of the Order, but only 358,000 of them are Fourth Degree Knights—less than 20 percent. The old regalia was one reason often given by brother Knights for why they did not want to advance to the Fourth Degree.*
3. *We understand that some Fourth Degree members are fond of the old regalia. The cape and chapeau regalia will still be allowed, for a time, in those assemblies and districts that wish to use it, though the preference is for the new uniform.*
4. *Ceremonial swords will continue to be part of the Fourth Degree.*
5. *The new uniform is designed to be much more versatile than the older regalia and can be worn at a much wider range of functions.*
6. *Our choice of uniform, while important, has always been ancillary to the work we do carrying out the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism, and this should always be the case.*

We have been testing the new uniform over the past year with key groups of Knights, including those brother Knights who participate in our annual Warriors to Lourdes Pilgrimage. The feedback we received from these groups has been very positive.”

At this time, we are awaiting directives from the Master of the Virginia District, SK Tom Trudeau, regarding implementation of the new uniform in Virginia. Until such time as we hear from Master Trudeau, we will continue to don the cape and chapeau as our Service Regalia. Once we receive the directives, we will advise the members of our Assembly.

